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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Joint Application for Approval of Internal Corporate Restructuring Involving

Merger of Chesnee Long Distance, Incorporated into Chesnee Cable, Incorporated, Both d/b/a Chesnee Communications, and for Transfer of

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Docket No. 2020-205-C

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the Joint Application of Chesnee Long Distance and Chesnee Cable, Incorporated (jointly "Companies") and believes that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") granting the Application is consistent with the public interest.

ORS reviewed the Companies application and filings. Based on these reviews, ORS has concluded that the Application for an internal corporate restructuring involving the merger of Chesnee Long Distance into Chesnee Cable and the resulting transfer of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") held by Chesnee LD to Chesnee Cable of is consistent with the public interest. *See* S.C. Code § 58-9-280.

ORS does not intend to file testimony or attend the hearing scheduled in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

s/ Jeffrey M. Nelson

Jeffrey M. Nelson

cc: All Parties of Record JoAnne Wessinger-Hill